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Agenda item 4 (e)
Mandated areas: culture

Draft recommendation submitted by the Rapporteur

Culture

1. The Forum recommends that States consider constitutional and other legal reform and educational reform to recognize and respect cultural, religious and linguistic diversity and spiritual practices and to eliminate all forms of discrimination and segregation that has deepened historic inequalities.

2. The Forum recommends that the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) Committee continue to cooperate where relevant with other organizations and agencies within the United Nations system, such as the secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity, the United Nations Environment Programme, the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations and the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO).

3. The Forum welcomes and encourages the active involvement of representatives of indigenous peoples and local communities in the work of the WIPO Committee and in parallel consultations and workshops organized by WIPO, and calls for such involvement to be enhanced through, inter alia, the greater use in the work of WIPO of position papers, case studies and information materials reflecting community experiences and perspectives and the funding of the participation of representatives of indigenous peoples and local communities in sessions of the WIPO Committee.

4. The Forum recommends that Governments introduce indigenous languages in public administration in indigenous territories where feasible.

5. The Forum recommends that Governments and the United Nations system, through its country presences, support indigenous media and promote the engagement of indigenous youth in indigenous programmes.

6. The Forum recommends that the World Tourism Organization prepare an initial paper on the issue of tourism and indigenous peoples, taking into account the

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positive and negative impacts, with a view to preparing guidelines on tourism and indigenous peoples.

7. The Forum welcomes the initiative of UNESCO to draft a convention on intangible heritage and requests the participation, consultation and dialogue with indigenous peoples and with the Forum.

8. The Forum recommends that the Economic and Social Council, States and the United Nations system promote the co-administration of archaeological sites which are administered by States in order to contribute to the care, preservation and conservation of those sites and to facilitate processes of development of indigenous peoples.

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Draft recommendations submitted by the Rapporteur

Education

1. The Forum recommends that the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO), United Nations agencies and other relevant bodies provide more funds, through appropriate means, to help indigenous peoples for education, in particular, emphasizing the importance of bilingual and inter-cultural training for indigenous persons. Such funds should be used to facilitate the educational exchanges between indigenous peoples and others in order to make contributions to the cultural diversity of the world, as well as to preserve indigenous peoples' cultural heritage.

2. The Forum recommends that concerned State Governments conduct workshops, training courses and other programmes for indigenous peoples, on a regular basis, to enhance their interest in the cultural diversity of the world and thus increase awareness about preserving distinct indigenous peoples' culture.

3. The Forum recalls its mandate to "prepare and disseminate information on indigenous issues",[1] and invites indigenous peoples' organizations to consider creative ways of educating and disseminating information on the Forum to indigenous peoples' organizations and communities, including through art, workshops, radio programmes, posters, indigenous journalism and other culturally appropriate media. To that end, the Forum recommends that the programmes, funds and agencies of the United Nations system allocate appropriate resources for this purpose, assist in the production of such materials, include indigenous professionals in the production of such materials and report to the Forum at its third session on the extent to which they have been able to incorporate these actions into their programmes of work. The Forum also requests the United Nations Development Fund for Women to allocate funding for capacity-building in connection with the Forum and for special outreach to indigenous women. The Forum furthermore requests that the United Nations Children's Fund allocate funding for capacity-

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building in connection with the Forum and for special outreach to indigenous children and youth.

4. The Forum recommends the creation and/or consolidation of academic institutions to train indigenous leaders of the world and urges public and private universities to develop curricula on indigenous peoples. The Forum furthermore exhorts the presidents of universities to promote the review of their teaching and research programmes with the objective of valuing and recognizing indigenous and inter-cultural education, and strengthening technical cooperation and the exchange of experience for the training of indigenous professionals.

5. The Forum recommends that the Economic and Social Council encourage States, specialized bodies and the United Nations system to consider creating international indigenous universities.

6. The Forum recommends that States reduce the rates of illiteracy, lack of schooling, truancy and dropouts and raise the rates of completed primary education through literacy campaigns and the design of indigenous, bilingual, inter-cultural educative and extramural models in the States where indigenous peoples live.

7. The Forum recommends that States rescue, foster and give publicity to the history and culture of indigenous peoples in the education systems of the world to strengthen their identity.

8. The Forum recommends that UNESCO hold a world forum on education and indigenous peoples with the participation of indigenous peoples that would contribute, inter alia, to enriching the indigenous education concepts and the pedagogic practices.

9. The Forum recommends that UNESCO invite indigenous experts and specialists to participate in its education forums, congresses, conferences and meetings to ensure the recognition and contribution of indigenous scientific and technological knowledge.

Notes

[1] Economic and Social Council resolution 2000/22, para. 2 (c).

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Adoption of the report of the Forum on its second session

Draft report

Rapporteur: Wilton Littlechild

Chapter I
Matters calling for action by the Economic and Social Council or brought to its attention

A. Draft decisions for adoption by the Council

1. The Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues recommends to the Economic and Social Council the adoption of the following draft decisions:

[To be completed]

B. Matters brought to the attention of the Council

2. The Forum has identified the proposals, objectives, recommendations and areas of possible future action set out below and, through the Council, requests States, United Nations system and intergovernmental organizations, indigenous peoples, the private sector and non-governmental organizations to assist in their realization.

[To be completed]

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Chapter II
Introduction

1. The Forum held its first session at United Nations Headquarters from 13 to 24 May 2002 and submitted its report to the Council.[1]

2. By its decision 2002/285, the Council decided that the second session of the Forum would be held at United Nations Headquarters from 12 to 23 May 2003.

3. By its decision 2003/219, the Council took note of the provisional agenda for the second session of the Forum.

Chapter III
Theme of the session: "Indigenous children and youth"

1. The Forum considered item 3 of its agenda in the form of a high-level panel at its 2nd, 3rd and ___ meetings, on 12, 13 and ___ May 2003.

2. At the same meeting, the Chairman of the second session acted as Moderator, and presentations were made by Nina Pacari Vega, Foreign Minister of Ecuador; Jacob Doek, Chairperson, Committee on the Rights of the Child; Ida Nicolaisen, member of the Forum; Lisa Garrett, a representative of indigenous youth; Nils Kastberg of the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF); Lee Swepston of the International Labour Organization (ILO); Jones Kyazze of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO); and Jackie Sims of the World Health Organization (WHO).

3. Also at the same meeting, the Forum engaged in an interactive dialogue, and interventions were made by the following members of the Forum: Otilia Lux de Coti, Njuma Ekundanayo, Wilton Littlechild, Marcos Matias Alonso, Qin Xiaomei and Mililani Trask.

4. At the same meeting, statements were made by the observer for Mexico and the following indigenous organizations: Centre for Organization, Research and Education and Assembly of First Nations.

5. At its 3rd meeting, on 13 May, the Forum continued its discussion on the item and statements were made by the observers for the following countries and organizations: Indigenous Youth from Assembly of First Nations; Elder's Caucus; Women's Caucus; World Council of Churches; Indigenous Peoples of Africa Coordinating Committee; Comisión Jurídica; Canada; Brazil; Finland; Japan; Coordinadora de las Organizaciones Indígenas de la Cuenca Amazónica; Consejo Indio de Sud America; Asociacion de Estudiantes Kumas Universitarios; Parakuiyo Community in Tanzania; Foundation for Aboriginal Research Action; Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commission; and Oficina Independiente de la Defensoria de los Pueblos Indigenas del Ecuador in America.

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[1] *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 2002, Supplement No. 23* (E/2003/43/Rev.1).

6. At the same meeting, a statement was made by Ida Nicolaisen, member of the Forum and a panellist.

Action taken by the Forum

7. At its ___ meeting, on ___ May, the Forum took note of the summary of the discussions of the panel prepared by the Chairperson (E/C.19/2003/L.2).

Chapter IV
Methods of work of the Forum with the United Nations system

1. The Forum considered item 5 of its agenda at its 3rd, 4th and ___ meetings, on 13 and ___ May 2003.

2. At its 3rd meeting, on 13 May, the Forum engaged in an interactive dialogue. The following United Nations agencies made introductory statements and responded to questions raised by members of the Forum: the ILO; World Bank; WHO and UNICEF.

3. At the same meeting, the following members of the Forum made interventions: Otilia Lux de Coti, Yuji Iwasawa, Antonio Jacanamijoy, Wilton Littlechild, Wayne Lord, Marcos Matias Alonso, Ida Nicolaisen, Qin Xiaomei, Zinaida Strogalschikova, Parshuram Tamang, Mililani Trask and Fortunato Turpo Choquehuanca.

4. At its 4th meeting, on 13 May, the Forum continued its discussion on item 5 and heard statements by the following members of the Forum: Njuma Ekundanayo, Ayitegan Kouevi, Wilton Littlechild, Wayne Lord, Marcos Matias Alonso, Ida Nicolaisen, Mililani Trask and Fortunato Turpo Choquehuanca.

5. At the same meeting, statements were made by the observers for the following countries and organizations: World Intellectual Property Organization; Teton Sioux Nation Treaty Council and Regional and Global Organization; Asian Indigenous and Tribal Peoples Network; Lumad Peoples Movement for Peace: Hill Watch Human Rights Forum; Pacific Caucus; Rapa Nui Parliament; Aotearoa Indigenous Rights Trust; The Koani Foundation; Na Koa Ikaika o Ka La Hui Hawai'i; Dwan Adat Papua; Foundation for Aboriginal and Island Research Action; Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commission; International Society for Threatened Peoples; Tebtebba Foundation; Asian Caucus; Indigenous People's Caucus on Sustainable Development; the Arctic Region; Mexico; Organización Indigena Chiquitana; New Zealand; Japan; IPACC and Tamaynut Africain Indigenous Peoples Coordinating Committee; the United Nations Institute for Training and Research; International Fund for Agricultural Development; The United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat); the Partnership for Indigenous Peoples Environment; Métis National Council; Indigenous Peoples and Nations Coalition; United Nations Association/United States of America and United Nations Association/Afghanistan; South Asia Indigenous Women's Forum, Tonatierra; International Organization of Indigenous Resource Development; Confederacy of Treaty Six Chiefs; Foundation

for Aboriginal and Islander Research Action; Australia; Indigenous Peoples Caucus for the Permanent Forum.

Action taken by the Forum

6. At its ___ meeting, on ___ May, the Forum adopted a number of recommendations proposed under item 5 (see chap. I, sect. B, paras. ___).

Chaper V
Mandated areas

1. The Forum considered item 4 of its agenda at its 4th to ___, and ___ meetings, from 13 to ___ and on ___ May 2003.

A. Economic and social development

2. At the 4th meeting, on 13 May a statement on sub-item 4 (a) was made by the observer for the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP).

3. At the 5th meeting, on 14 May, an interactive dialogue on the sub-item was conducted by the United Nations Forum on Forests, UN-Habitat, United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), Inter-American Development Bank, United Nations Development Fund (UNDP) and the following members of the Forum: Mililani Trask, Ayitegan Kouevi, Marcos Matias Alonso, Ida Nicolaisen, Parshuram Tamang, Otilia Lux de Coti, Wayne Lord, Zinaida Strogalschikova, Njuma Ekundanayo and Qin Xiaomei.

4. At the same meeting, a statement was made by the Director of the Division for Social Policy and Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs of the United Nations Secretariat.

5. Also at the same meeting, statements were made by the observers for the following countries and organizations: Saami Council; Asian Indigenous and Tribal Peoples Network; Tebtebba Foundation; Bethechilokono; Mexico; Philippines; Saulteau First Nations; Coordinadora de las Organizaciones Indígenas de la Cuenca Amazónica; Centro de Estudia Aymaras of Bolivia; Partnership for Indigenous Peoples Environment/International Oil Working Group; Parlamento del Pueblo Qullana Aymara; Consejo Internacional de Trafados Indios; Fundación para la promoción de Conocimiento Indigena.

6. At the 6th meeting, on 14 May, the Forum continued its discussion on the sub-item and statements were made by the observers for the following countries and organizations: Brazil; Movement for the Survival of the Ogoni People; Tonatierra; Canada; World Bank; American Indian Community Health; Comisión Juridica; the Indigenous Peoples Caucus on Sustainable Development; Inuit Circumpolar Conference; Parbatya Chattagram Jana Samhati Samiti; Foundation for Aboriginal and Islander Research Action; Indigenous Peoples and Nations Coalition; Pacific Caucus; Asian Indigenous and Tribal Peoples Network; Lumad Peoples Movement for Peace; Hill Watch Human Rights Forum; Consejo de Pueblos y Organizaciones Indígenas del Ecuador; Council of Spiritual Elders of Mother Earth (Turtle Islands);

Asia Indigenous Peoples' Caucus; Association of Limbu Shamans of Nepal; Confederaciones Nacionalidades Indígenas del Ecuador; and Seventh Generation.

7. At the same meeting, statements were made by the following members of the Forum: Mililani Trask; Wilton Littlechild; Fortunato Turpo Choquehuanca; and Parshuram Tamang.

8. At the 7th meeting, on 15 May, the Forum continued its discussion of the sub-item and heard statements by the observers for the following countries and organizations: Russian Association of Indigenous Peoples of the North; Yachay Wasi (Runa Simi) Quechua; Red Continental de Medios de Comunicacion Indígenas; Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commission; Instituto Indígena Brasileiro; Defensoria de los Pueblos Indígenas del Ecuador en America; Tebtebba Foundation; African Indigenous and Minority Peoples Organization; South Asia Indigenous Women Forum and Nepal Tamong Women Ghedurg; Ogiek Rural Integral Program; the Ibazoi Tribe in Cordeillera of the Philippines; Universidad de las Regiones Autonomas de la Costa Caribe Nicaraguense; Hmong International Human Rights Watch; Armando Ualbuena for La Organizacion Nacional Indígena de Colombia; Centro de Promocion Para el Desarrollo Comunal Init; Coordinadora Indígena Campesina Agroforestales del Peru; Peace Campaign Group; Indigenous Peoples African Coordinating Committee; Grandmothers of Mother Earth; and World Summit on Information Society.

9. At the same meeting, a statement was made by the Director of the Division for Sustainable Development of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs.

10. Also at the same meeting, the following members of the Forum made interventions: Antonio Jacanamijoy, Otilia Lux de Coti, Marcos Matias Alonso, Ayitegan Kouevi, Ida Nicolaisen, Zinaida Strogalschikova, Mililani Trask, Njuma Ekundanayo and Wilton Littlechild.

B. Environment

11. At the 8th meeting, on 15 May, Parshuram Tamang, member of the Forum, made a statement on sub-item 4 (b).

12. At the same meeting, statements were made on the sub-item by the observers for the following countries and organizations: Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO); Na Koa Ikaika o Ka La Hui Hawai'i; Indigenous Peoples Council on Biocolonialism; Coordinadora de las Organizaciones Indígenas de la Cuenca Amazónica; Comunidad Tayja Saruta Sarayacu; Asia Caucus; Buffalo River Dene Nation; the Seventh Generation Fund; Indian Confederation of Indigenous and Tribal Peoples; United Native Nations Truth Network and Voice Confederation; Onyota 'A:Ka Haudenosaunee Oneida Indian Territory and Youth; Asia-Pacific Indigenous Youth Network; American Indian Community Health; Comisión Jurídica; Asociación de la Juventud Indígena; Indigenous Women of the Americas; Agogo Traditional Area of the Ashanti in Ghana; Partnership for Indigenous People's Environment; International Oil Working Group; Confederaciones Nacionalidades Indígenas del Ecuador; Defensoria de los Pueblos Indígenas del Ecuador en America; National Aboriginal Forestry Association; Centre for Organization, Research and Education; International Indigenous People's Think Tank; United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP); Mexico; Movement for the

Survival of the Ogoni People; Bangladesh Indigenous People's Forum; Parbatya Chaftagram Jana Samhati Samiti; Tongya; Consejo Internacional de Tratados Indios; and Saami Council.

13. At the 9th meeting, on 16 May, the Forum continued its discussions on the sub-item and statements were made by the observers for the following countries and organizations: Indonesia; Fundación para la Promocion de Canoe Indigena; Saami Council; Cordillera Peoples' Alliance; Peace Campaign Group; International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD); Sage Council; Tonantzin Land Institute; Tonantierra; Seventh Generation Fund; Frente Indigena Oaxaqueño; Binacional; Indigenous Peoples' Caucus for Sustainable Development; Tebtebba Foundation; Conferación Indigena Tayrona; Secretariat for the Convention on Biological Diversity; World Bank; Associacao Awete Kaiwa; Halau Ku Mana (YOUTH); Pacific Caucus; Yachay Wasi; Kmakakuokalani Center for Hawaiian Studies, University of Hawaii; Asociación de Criadores de Camelidos Andinos del Perú; Asociacion de Mujeres Indiginas Alpaqueras de la Region; Instituto Indigena de Propriedad Intelectual; Brazil; Indigenous Environmental Network; and Alianza Internacional de Pueblos Indigenas y Tribales de los Bosques Tropicales.

14. At the same meeting, the Chairman also made a statement.

15. At the 10th meeting, on 16 May, the Forum continued its discussions of the sub-item and heard statements by the observers of the following countries and organizations: Indigenous Information Network; African Indigenous Women's Organization; Inuit Circumpolar Conference; Greenland/Denmark; OPIAC; AMAAI; Habitatpro; Ethnic Minority and Indigenous Rights Organisation of Africa; Faira Aboriginal Corporation; Warâ Instituto Indigena; Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commission; Indigenous Peoples African Coordinating Committee; Australian Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission; Universidad de las Regiones Autonomas de la Costa Caribe Nicaraguense; Organización Nacional Indigena de Colombia; Asamblea Nacional Indigena Plural por la Autonomia; UNDP; Ashaninka-AIDESEP; Ka Lāhui Hawaii; Russian Association of Indigenous Peoples of the North; the Haudenosaunee Six Nations of Iroquois Confederacy of Turtle Island (North America); Ibaloi Tribe, Philippines; Assembly of First Nations; and Ogiek Rural Integral Program.

16. At the same meeting, statements were also made by the following members of the Forum: Parshuram Tamang, Wilton Littlechild, Ayitegan Kouevi, Qin Xiaomei, Ida Nicolaisen, Otilia Lux de Coti, Fortunato Turpo Choquehuanca, Njuma Ekundanayo, and Antonio Jacanamijoy.

C. Health

17. At the 11th meeting, on 19 May, the Forum began its consideration of sub-item 4 (c) and Mililani Trask, member of the Forum, made a presentation.

18. At the same meeting, statements were made by the observers of the following countries and organizations: Consultoria de los Pueblos Indigenos en el Norte de Mexico; World Blind Union; Alaska Federation of Natives; Society for Threatened Peoples; American Indian Law Alliance; Centre for Organization, Research and Education, Canada; Boarding School Caucus; Confederacion de Nacionalidades Indigenas del Ecuador, Mexico; Centro de Estudios Ayuranos, Guyana; FAIRA

Aboriginal Corporation; Aotearoa Indigenous Rights Trust; Indigenous Peoples Coordinating Committee of Africa; National Council of Indigenous Women of Ecuador; Indigenous Peoples Caucus on Sustainable Development; Arctic Indigenous Region; Organizacion Nacional Indigeno de Colombia; Altai Regional Public Organization of the Kumandin Peoples; Kamakaūokalani Center for Hawaiian Studies, University of Hawaii; Hālau kū Māna and Siksika Nation.

19. At its 12th meeting, on 19 May, the Forum continued its discussion of the sub-item and statements were made by the observers for the following countries and organizations: Chickaloon Village (Nay'dini'aa'Na); Kenya Female Advisory Organization; Pacific Caucus; Statistics Division of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs; Na Koa Ikaika o Ka La Hui Hawai'i; Indigenous Peoples Council on Biocolonialism; Indigenous Youth Caucus; International Indian Treaty Council; Indigenous Environmental Network; Asemblea Nacional Indigena Plural por la Autonomia; American Indian Law Alliance; Na Koa Ikaiko o Ka La Hui Hawai'i; Native Children's Survival, Teton Lakota Nation Treaty Council; Hawai'i Institute for Human Rights; FENOCIN-Ecuador; Indigenous Peoples' and Nations Coalition — Alaska; Pit River Indian Nation; Alaska Community Action on Toxics; Indigenous World Association; Assembly of First Nations; Instituto Tonanzin; Frente Indigena Oaxaqueno; Mujeres Mayas de Jovel Maya'ik de Chiapas Mexico; First Peoples Worldwide; Fundación para la Promoción de Conocimiento Indigena; American Indian Treaty Council Information Center; Asociacion Nabguana; Coordinadora Nacional de Pequenos y Medianos Productores de Guatemala; Association of Limba Shaman; Kulung Rai Language and Cultural Development Community; TRIPURA; Bangladesh Adivashi Forum; Parbatya Chattagram Jana Samhati Samiti; Hill Tracts NGO Forum; Taungya; Trinamul; Committee on Indigenous Health; Asia Caucus (Cordillera Peoples' Alliance); Center for Organization, Research and Education; American Indian Community House; Pine Ridge Reservation; Asian Indigenous and Tribal Peoples Network; Lumad Peoples Movement for Peace; Hill Watch Human Rights Forum; Assembly of First Nations; Organization of Loacan Indigenous Peoples; Consejo de Anciano del Continiente de Latino America; World Council of Churches; Defensoria de los Pueblos Indigenos del Ecuador en America; Fundacion para la Promocion de Conoc Indigenos, Brazil; Aboriginal and Islander Commission; Tin Hinan; Indigenous Peoples Survival Foundation; American Psychological Association; Yachak de Comunidad Ilumari; Russian Association of Indigenous Peoples of the North; International Native Tradition Interchange; and Pan American Health Organization.

20. At the 13th meeting, on 20 May, the Forum continued its discussions on the sub-item of health and statements were made by the observers for the following organizations: T'suu Tina Nation; Retrieve Foundation; Fundacion de Gente Indigena Yanomami; Health Unlimited; Associacao Awaete Kaiwa; Jharkhandis Organisation for Human Rights; Enlace Continental de Mujeres Indigenas; Casa Nativa Tampa Allgo Peru; the Navajo Nation; and World Bank.

21. At the same meeting, statements were made by the following members of the Forum: Mililani Trask, Wilton Littlechild, Otilia Lux de Coti, Njuma Ekundanayo, Qin Xiaomei, Ida Nicolaisen, Parshuram Tamang and Antonio Jacanamijoy.

D. Human rights

[To be completed]

E. Culture

[To be completed]

F. Education

[To be completed]

Chapter VI
Future work of the Forum

[To be completed]

Chapter VII
Provisional agenda for the third session of the Forum

Chapter VIII
Adoption of the report of the Forum on its second session

1. At the ___ meeting, on ___ May, the Rapporteur introduced the draft report of the Forum on its second session (E/C.19/2003/L.19).

2. At the same meeting, the Forum took note of the Chairperson's summary of the high-level panel and dialogue on indigenous children and youth (E/C.19/2003/L.2).

3. Also at the same meeting, the Forum took note of the Chairperson's summary of the discussions of the Forum at its second session (E/C.19/2003/CRP.__).

4. At the same meeting, the Forum adopted its report on its second session.

Chapter IX
Organization of the session

A. Opening and duration of the session

1. The Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues held its second session at United Nations Headquarters from 12 to 23 May 2003. It held ___ formal meetings (1st to __) and a number of informal meetings.

2. At the 1st meeting, on 12 May, the session was opened by the Assistant Secretary-General and Special Adviser on Gender Issues and Advancement of Women. During the inauguration ceremony, the floor was given to Tadodaho Chief

Sidney Hill, an indigenous elder, and Heather Milton, a representative of indigenous youth, for a traditional indigenous welcome.

3. At the same meeting, a statement was made by Ole Henrik Magga, Chairperson of the Forum.

4. Also at the same meeting, the Assistant Secretary-General made a statement on behalf of the Secretary-General.

5. At the same meeting, the Director of the New York Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights made a statement on behalf of the High Commissioner.

6. At the same meeting, statements were also made by the Director of the Division for Social Policy and Development, the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights and fundamental freedoms of indigenous people, and the Chairperson of the United Nations Voluntary Fund for Indigenous Populations.

B. Attendance

7. Members of the Forum and representatives of Governments, United Nations bodies and intergovernmental organizations, as well as of non-governmental organizations and indigenous organizations, attended the session. The list of participants is contained in annex ___.

C. Election of officers

8. At its 1st meeting, on 13 May, the Forum re-elected the following members of the Bureau by acclamation:

Chairperson:
Ole Henrik Magga

Vice-Chairpersons:
Njuma Ekundanayo
Antonio Jacanamijoy
Parshuram Tamang
Mililani Trask

Rapporteur:
Wilton Littlechild

D. Agenda

9. At its 1st meeting, on 12 May, the Forum adopted the provisional agenda contained in document E/C.19/2003/1, which read:

1. Election of officers.
2. Adoption of the agenda and organization of work.
3. Theme of the session: "Indigenous children and youth".

4. Mandated areas:

   (a) Economic and social development;

   (b) Environment;

   (c) Health;

   (d) Human rights;

   (e) Culture;

   (f) Education.

5. Methods of work of the Forum with the United Nations system.

6. Future work of the Forum.

7. Provisional agenda for the third session of the Forum.

8. Adoption of the report of the Forum on its second session.

E. Documentation

10. The documents before the Forum at its second session are listed in annex ___ to the present report.

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II. Proceedings of the second session

D. Mandated areas

4. Human rights

1. At its 14th meeting, on 20 May, the Forum considered sub-item 4 (d) and an interactive dialogue was conducted between the Working Group on Indigenous Populations and the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, as well as Mrs. Daes, the permanent member of the Working Group on Indigenous Populations, and the following members of the Forum: Marcos Matias Alonso, Fortunato Turpo Choquehuanca, Ayitegau Kouevi, Wilton Littlechild, Otilia Lux de Coti, Ida Nicolaisen, Qin Xiaomei, Zinaida Strogalschikova, and Mililani Trask.

2. Statements were made by the observers of the following countries and organizations: Finland, Mexico; Nigeria; Norway; Indigenous People's Participants in the World Bank October 2002 Round Table; Asia Pacific Indigenous Youth Network; Pacific Caucus; Rapa Nui Hawaii; Na Koa Ikaika o Ka Lahui Hawaii; the Koani Foundation; Dewan Adat Papua; Foundation for Aboriginal and Island Research Action; Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commission; Pacific Concerns Resource Center; Nuclear Free and Independent Pacific; Waikiki Hawaiian Civic Club; International Indian Treaty Council; Indigenous Environmental Network; Seventh Generation Fund; Indigenous Peoples and Nations Coalition; Wa Koa Ikaika oka Lahui Hawaii; Asian Indigenous Second Tribal Peoples Network; Hill Watch Human Rights Forum; Lumad Peoples Movement for Peace; FAIRA Aboriginal; Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commission; Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Social Justice Commission; Indigenous Peoples African Coordinating Commitee; Tamaynut; Bangladesh Indigenous Peoples Forum; National Indigenous Peoples Council; Khasi Welfare Association; Tribal Welfare Association; Taungya; PCJSS; Peace Campaign Group; Saami

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Council; Inuit Circumpolar Conference; Enlace Continental de Mujeres Indígenas and Asamblea Nacional Indígena Plural por la Autonomía; Coordinadora Nacional de Mujeres Indígenas de México; Coordinadora Nacional de Mujeres Indígenas de Panamá; Taller Permanente Perú; Asociación Nacional de Mujeres de la Costa Atlántica y Servicios para el Desarrollo; National Indigenous Institute; Indigenous People of Saint Lucia; The Aldet Centre-Saint Lucia; International Alliance against Racism, Racial Discrimination, Xenophobia and Related Intolerance; Fundación para la Promoción Indígenas Inti; Conocimientos Indígenas; Tonatzin; Asociación Napguana; Asia Caucus; Asia Indigenous Peoples Pact Foundation; Hill Tract NGO Forum; PCJSS (Bangladesh); Nepal Federation of Nationalities; Binora Institute for Research and Action; Naga Peoples Movement for Human Rights; Borok Indigenous Peoples Development Centre; Bawm Indigenous Peoples Organisation; Chin Human Rights Organisation; Impact; Conto; Centre for Development of Mountainous Areas; Indgenous Women's Network of Ratanakiri; C'dia; Partners of Community Organisations (Pazos Trust); Indigenous Peoples Network of Malaysia; ATIPP; Codillera Peoples Alliances; Tebtebba Foundation; International Alliance of Indigenous and Tribal Peoples of the Tropical Forest; Karen Youth Organisation; Republic of Bambuti Community of the Democratic Republic of the Congo; and Union pour l'Emancipation de la Femme Autochtone de la Republique démocratique du Congo.

3. At its 15th meeting, on 21 May, statements on the sub-item were also made by the following members of the Forum: Yuji Iwasawa, Ayitegau Kouevi and Otilia Lux de Coti.

4. At the same meeting, the observer for Indonesia made a statement in reply.

5. Culture

5. At its 15th meeting, on 21 May, the Forum considered sub-item 4 (e) and an interactive dialogue was conducted between the observer for the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) and the following members of the Forum: Fortunato Turpo Choquhuanca, Njuma Ekudanayo, Ayitegau Kouevi, Willie Littlechild, Otilia Lux de Coti, Ida Nicolaisen, Qin Xiaomei and Parshuram Tamang.

6. At the same meeting, statements were made by the observers for the following countries and organizations: Canada; Guatemala; Mexico; New Zealand; Griqua National Conference of South Africa; National Khoi-San Conference; Consejo Indio de Sudamerica; Aymara Parliament; Aymara Alliance; Indigenous Peoples of Africa Coordinating Committee; Tamaymut; Goduka; Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe; Central Michigan University; Consejo Internacional de Tratados Indios; Fundación para la Promoción de Conocimientos Indígenas; Asociación Nabguana; Tonantzin Land Institute; Maasai Women for Education and Economic Development; Indigenous People's Programme; World Council of Churches; Consultoría de los Pueblos Indígenas en el Norte de México; Agencia Internacional de Prensa India; Asamblea Nacional Indígena Plural por la Autonomía y Servicios para el Desarrollo; Socioeconomic Data and Applications Center; Movimiento de Unificación y Lucha Triqui; Asia Caucus; Committee on Indigenous Health; Alaska Federation of Natives; Indigenous Youth Caucus; Indigenous Peoples of the Caribbean Antilles; Pacific Caucus; Boarding School Caucus; Sovereign Dineh Nation (Navajo); Confederaciones de Nacionalidades Indígenas del Ecuador; European Parliament;

World Festival of Sports and Culture; Rapa Nui Parliament; and Parlamento Indigena de America. At the same meeting, the Chairman made a statement.

6. Education

7. At its 16th meeting, on 21 May, the Forum considered sub-item 4 (f) and an interactive dialogue was conducted between the observer for UNESCO and the following members of the Forum: Fortunato Turpo Choquehuanca, Wilton Littlechild, Otilia Lux de Coti and Zinaida Strogalschikova.

8. Statements were made by the observers of the following countries and organizations: Bangladesh; Brazil; Mexico; Myanmar; Sweden; Pacific Caucus; Rapa Nui Parliament; Aotearoa Indigenous RightsTrust; Ka Lahui Hawaii; Na Koa Ikaika o Ka Lahui Hawai'i; Koani Foundation; Dewan Adat Papua; Foundation for Aboriginal and Island Research Action; Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commission; Pacific Concerns Resource Center; Nuclear Free and Independent Pacific; Waikiki Hawaiian Civic Club; Navajo Nation; Inuit Youth International; Arctic Region Youth; the former Indigenous Fellows of the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights; Bangladesh Adivasi Forum; PCJSS; HTNF; Taungya; Trinamul; Peace Campaign Group; Asia-Pacific Indigenous Youth Network; Center for Organization, Research and Education; Aymara Alliance; First Peoples' Worldwide; Canadian Teacher's Federation; Education International, Belgium; The Ainu Association of Hokkaido; AMAAI; Organización de los Pueblos Indigenas de la Amazonia Colombiana; St. John's Mission; BIJNI; Indian Confederation of Indigenous and Tribal Peoples, Northeast Zone; Bodoland Children's Home (India); Asia Indigenous Caucus; South Asia Indigenous Women Forum; Asia Indigenous Peoples' Pact; Nepal Tamang Ghedung; Association of Limbus; Tebtebba Foundation; Consejo Internacional de Tratados Indios; Fundación para la Promoción de Conocimientos Indigenas; Asociación Nabguana; Asociación de Estudiantes Kunas Universitarios; Tonantzin Land Institute; Boarding School Caucus; Global Teaching and Learning Project; Department of Public Information, United Nations; The Holy See; Consejo Nacional Indio de Venezuela; Proyecto de Desarrollo Santiago, Prodessa; Plataforma Maya; Agencia Internacional de Prensa India; Región Centro Occidente Michoacán/Jalisco/Nayarit; Ka Lahui Hawai'i (Halau Ku Mana); Nepal; Indigenous People of Saint Lucia; and Regional Action Group for the Environment.

9. The Chairman made a statement on his meeting with the President of the Security Council.

Action taken by the Forum

10. At its _____ meeting, on 23 May, the Forum, in adopting the draft recommendations submitted under agenda item 4 (E/C.19/2003/L.13-18), identified a number of proposals, objectives, recommendations and areas of possible future action, and, through the Economic and Social Council, requested States, the United Nations system and intergovernmental organizations, indigenous peoples, the private sector and NGOs to assist in their implementation (see chap. I. B).

E. Future work of the Forum

11. At its 17th meeting, on 22 May, the Forum considered agenda item 6. Statements were made by the observers of the following countries and organizations: Colombia; Denmark; Domi...a; Mexico; New Zealand, Venezuela; Sovereign Dineh Nation; Haudenosaunee Ska-Roh-Reh; Assembly of First Nations; Saulteau First Nation; Nippissing First Nation, Majority Caucus; Indigenous Nations Network; Tetunwa Oyate; Oglala Lakota Nation; Canadian Teacher's Federation; Education International; Indigenous Peoples Centre for Documentation, Research and Information; The Society for Threatened Peoples; Russian Association of Indigenous Peoples of the North; Asociación Napguana and Tebtebba; Center for Research and Education; Dewan Adat Papua, Jebra Muchahary; Wara Instituto Indigena Brasileiro; Buffalo River Dene; Pacific Caucus; Aotearoa Indigenous Rights Trust; Cono Sur; Comiti Intratribal; Instituto Indigena Brasileiro de Propriedade Intelectual; Faira Aboriginal Corporation; Indigenous People's Caucus on Sustainable Development; Tebtebba; Raipon; Indigenous Environment Network; International Indian Treaty Council; Ixacavaa; Africa Indigenous Women's Organization; Asociación de la Juventud Indigena Argentina; Movimiento de la Juventud Indigena de Panamá; Asociación de Estudiantes Universitarios Kunas; The Navajo Nation; International Indian Treaty Council; Regional Action Group for the Environment, Indigenous Nations Network; United Native Nations Truth Network; and Voice Confederation.

Action taken by the Forum

12. At its ____ meeting, on 23 May, the Forum, in adopting the draft recommendations submitted under agenda item 6 (E/C.19/2003/L.6 and 12), identified a number of proposals, objectives, recommendations and areas of possible future action, and, through the Economic and Social Council, requested States, the United Nations system and intergovernmental organizations, indigenous peoples, the private sector and NGOs to assist in their implementation (see chap. I. B).

F. Provisional agenda for the third session of the Forum

13. At its 17th meeting, on 22 May, the Forum considered agenda item 7, and statements were made by the observers of the following organizations: Indigenous Women's Caucus; Aymara Alliance; and Consejo Indio de Sudamérica.

Action taken by the Forum

14. At its ____ meeting, on 23 May, the Forum adopted the provisional agenda for the third session of the Forum (E/C.19/2003/L.10) for approval by the Economic and Social Council (see chap. I. A, draft decision __).